



PHA Says "No Compromise" On Tax Issue As Garbage Parley Convenes

By I. J. Parker

Greenbelt garbage stacked up this week in a continuing dispute between the city and Public Housing Administration over taxes. Public Housing Administration reluctance to pay an additional \$5000 for "payment in lieu of taxes" called for by city manager Charles McDonald resulted in a curtailment of services to 12 apartment buildings and the commercial property at Greenbelt's center owned by the federal government.

Early this week PHA attempted to collect garbage and deposit it in the city dump. Municipal authorities refused to allow this. Later, PHA hired a private garbage-collector to provide the service, but they were stopped by local police; the private concern had no permit to operate in Greenbelt. PHA then used its own personnel to collect the garbage, and disposed of the refuse in a Silver Spring dump.

Little Laments

Roy Little, PHA official, lamented that it was ironical PHA could not use a city sanitary-fill area it had dedicated to the city about a month ago. He stated his agency would continue to attempt to provide the services to its tenants regardless of the city's attitude. He said there would be no compromise on the tax issue, basing his proposed payment figure on legal requirements of the Bankhead-Black Act, which calls for a payment "for service" and not on assessed valuation of property. Little called the city's position "unfortunate" and hinted that it may cost the city more money in the long run. PHA will positively deduct the cost of providing its own services from its previously proposed payment, Little added.

PHA, City, To Meet

Tuesday night it was announced that a meeting will be held in PHA offices on Wednesday between representatives of the two parties. McDonald, Mayor Frank Lastner and city solicitor Ralph Powers will represent Greenbelt. It is hoped that some solution to the "garbage grumble" will be reached. Meanwhile, Washington papers are giving the situation prominence on their front pages.

Legal Tangle

Included in the problem is the possibility that Greenbelt may lose a large portion of tax revenue unless the agreement for services is solved before the transfer of the apartments. Ordinarily, federal property sold in the middle of the year, according to Maryland law, may not be "enrolled" on the tax list before January 1 of the next year. Also, assessments are made on May 1. In this situation Greenbelt may lose the balance of this year's taxes, may be unable to assess the property till May, 1954, and not collect taxes until (charter provision) September of 1954. If agreement is reached, the new owners of the apartments are required by their purchase agreement to pay their proportionate share of service payments (taxes) after they take title.

The "showdown", as Mayor Lastner called the dispute last week, should have come to a head on Wednesday (yesterday. (Look elsewhere in the Cooperator for a late news flash on the outcome.)

Center PTA Bake Sale

The Center School PTA is conducting a bake sale on Friday, April 17, between 10 and 12 in front of the Greenbelt Theater. Mrs. George Panagoulis, 4299, is ways and means chairman.

Kindergarten

Parents of children who will be of kindergarten age in September are asked to call Vivian Pines, 8077, to learn about the Greenbelt Cooperative Kindergarten. Classes are conducted in both Center and North End schools. Fees need not be paid at this time.

FCH Co. Plans Large Houses If Needed

By Roger Willcox

General Manager, FCH Co.

Would you and your family want to live in a four- or five-bedroom house in Greenbelt? If you are interested, please write the FCH Co., care of GVHC, Hamilton Place. Your letter should indicate how many bedrooms you want, and your total yearly income to the nearest \$1000. (All income information will be kept strictly confidential.)

The first project of single-family homes being planned for GVHC on Greenbelt vacant land will include several four- and five-bedroom houses, as well as three-bedroom houses.

Total number of such large houses will depend in part on how many families want them. This is why the FCH Co. which is planning the project wants your letters.

The houses would be built on the knoll across Crescent Road from the Catholic church and school. They would be reached by Northway, which will be extended down to Crescent road, and by Woodland Way, which will be connected to this extension of Northway.

Fifty of the homes will be in a cooperative project, because better mortgage financing terms are available to cooperatives. The others will be sold to individuals.

The project is being planned by the FCH Co. a subsidiary of the non-profit Foundation for Cooperative Housing, which has a contract with GVHC to prepare a master plan of land use and to help start development of the vacant land.

Cooperator Plans Paid Circulation

A first step in the transition from a volunteer to a business basis for The Cooperator was taken April 9 at the quarterly membership meeting of the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association, Inc. A report by Harry Zubkoff outlining a plan for a paid circulation was adopted. Readers will be asked to pay for the paper, to help cover the expense of paying the editor and key staff members in part for the long hours they put in on the paper.

In the future the editor will receive \$10 weekly for his services, but the plan to pay other key staff members will be held in abeyance pending the outcome of the campaign for subscriptions, to be headed by Zubkoff.

Several members of the Association were designated to attend the Cooperative Leadership Conference to be held in Greenbelt April 18.

Former Editor Ralph G. Miller was named personnel chairman to look for new journalistic talent and to revise the membership list.

David Reznikoff was elected to the board of directors to replace Marion Hatton, who resigned because of illness.

Tax Rates Raised To Record High Chagrined City Council Capitulates To Powermad PHA's Pitiless Plans

By I. J. Parker

A record tax rate of \$4,2178 per \$100 assessed valuation was established by the city council in a special meeting last night at the direction of John T. Egan, Public Housing Administration Commissioner. In a conference in PHA offices yesterday to discuss the garbage grumble and disputed tax payments by the federal government, Egan agreed to pay the city \$38,655 provided the city use PHA's assessed valuation of its property as a tax basis, and provided the tax rate apply to all real property in Greenbelt, PHA valued its own property at \$916,474, as compared to its advertised value of \$1,280,000 which was used by the city in its budget estimates.

Lot Buyers Meet Apr. 28

Ben Goldfaden, president of the new group organized to buy lots in the area near the lake announced this week that a meeting will be held April 28 to discuss further plans. About 50 people have already made the required \$10 payment to join the group, and only 25 additional members will be accepted. Goldfaden urged interested Greenbelters to join quickly, since many out-of-towners are inquiring about the proposed purchase. Membership is not limited to local residents.

Block Captains Named For Cancer Drive

Mrs. Ralph Webster, chairman of the current drive for funds for cancer, this week announced that the following women will serve as block captains for the drive: Mrs. Frank Bartholf, Mrs. H. Burns, Mrs. Thomas Callanan, Mrs. George Clinedinst, Mrs. James Flynn, Mrs. Frank Galvin, Mrs. Frank Kriby, Mrs. June Lane, Mrs. Christopher Mullady, Mrs. J. Ratzkin, Mrs. Nat Schein, and Mrs. C. Sorrells. Captains will recruit other volunteers to cover the whole community for collection on the night of April 27, from 7 to 8 o'clock.

The purpose of this drive is to provide funds for research into the cause of cancer; to assist in further establishment of detection centers; to educate the public in the necessity of early diagnosis of cancer so that more lives may be saved, and to help provide care for those patients suffering from the disease who are not able to care for themselves.

Cancer Examination

There is only one free cancer clinic for well people in Prince Georges County, which is at Upper Marlboro. Anyone wishing to make an appointment for examination may do so by calling the Prince Georges Health Department at Warfield 7-0103. The American Cancer Society representative for the county is Mrs. Ruth Swann, executive secretary, and her telephone number is UN-ion 4-7361.

Greenbelt residents may also make an appointment for examination at a free detection clinic by writing to the Society at 1900 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Md. It takes several weeks to get an appointment so it is desirable to start immediately to make plans for the examination. Many Greenbelt people have had such examinations—most of them were found to be in excellent health. A few, however, were found to be in need of immediate care, and have corrected conditions which if left unattended could have had serious results. Mrs. Webster will answer inquiries in Greenbelt and may be reached at GRanite 3-2986.

Thus the city gains \$6,665 over the originally-proposed PHA tax payment of \$32,000, and also forces Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation to fork over an additional \$23,763. (Budget called for \$127,434 from GVHC; new tax rate requires \$151,198.) Bernard Bordenet, GVHC treasurer present at the meeting, disclosed that monthly tax payments by GVHC members will not be raised, as their present payments adequately cover the amount.

PHA also insisted that it will deduct from its payment the cost of attempting to collect garbage during the 8-day dispute with the city government. Mayor Frank Lastner stated that Roy Little, PHA official, threatened court action if the agreement was not accepted, and implied that the payment might not be made at all. He added that the purchase agreement with new apartment owners, requiring them to pay their proportionate share of the year's taxes when they take title May 1, might be amended to omit that clause, resulting in loss of a year's taxes from that property.

The entire budget calls for revenue from real property to the city in the amount of \$194,109. PHA, in effect, insisted that this total be reached after its offered \$38,655 is accepted. PHA's proportionate share till May 1 is \$12,880. Before the dispute began, it had offered \$32,000, or a pro-rated share of \$10,660.

"We're not happy," Mayor Lastner declared after reporting on the outcome of the meeting. "No one is sorrier than I that many residents were so inconvenienced by this dispute. If no agreement was reached I was ready to ask for collection of garbage anyway. I had no idea that PHA would permit this situation to go this far."

A motion was passed to re-institute collection of garbage in the controversial buildings. Help will be added from other city departments to expedite the expected load. Lastner, who has been besieged with calls from apartment dwellers about the accumulating garbage, made the motion to resume garbage collection. "I may as well," he stated, "I proposed the motion to curtail that service."

NCJW Plans Annual Rummage Sale April 21

The annual rummage sale sponsored by the Earners' Fund of the National Council of Jewish Women, will be held in front of the Greenbelt theater on Tuesday, April 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. In case of rain, it will be held the next day.

At its recent general meeting, the nominating committee presented the following slate of candidates; president, Myra Hertz; educational vice-president, Sonia Garin; administrative vice-president, Lillian Schwimer; recording secretary, Beulah Bukzin; and corresponding secretary, Vera Krug.

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Roll Out The Barrel

Many Greenbelters will feel down in the dumps when they read the front-page story on how their city council got taken for a ride — on a garbage truck, no less. The long precedent of never winning a battle with the federal government was dramatically climaxed last night with acceptance of Public Housing Administration's terms in the tax payment dispute. "Go fight city hall" is an apt expression, but how apt can you get? PHA, in effect, has offered to pay \$2,218 more to the city, if the new apartment owners pay \$4,437 more and GVHC pays \$23,763 more in tax money. PHA dictated the tax rate - establishing a record high for Greenbelt. (We have always had the record for the county.)

How long we have waited to get out of the clutches of PHA and its control of our budget and city services! With the sale of homes to GVHC and the soon-to-transpire transfer of apartments, we had assumed we were finally independent of federal entanglements. But even with a ridiculously small portion of the city budget to account for, PHA is still able to force our city council to come to terms.

We will not attempt to fix the blame for this peculiar circumstance. The city council, under the leadership of Mayor Frank Lastner, acted with courage and expediency in forcing the decision to pay taxes upon PHA. But they never expected to be put over a barrel and carted away to a sanitary fill area.

Prescription: Subscription

Beginning with the issue of July 2, 1953, the Greenbelt Cooperator will go on a paid subscription basis. The reasons for this action are many, including the rising costs of doing business, added expenses of rent and utilities for our apartment-office, higher cost of distribution, etc. But mainly, there is the additional burden on the paper of paying the staff.

In recent years it has become almost impossible to attract volunteer help necessary to the continued publication of the Cooperator. The shortage of help has unduly increased the burden on the staff, to the point where a few devoted and public-spirited citizens had to work long hours, often far into the night, in order to assure publication. Under these conditions, it has often been impossible to achieve the news coverage we would have desired, or to offer thoughtful comment on the implications of various current events.

Today, more than ever, our community needs the services which the Cooperator, as a news-gathering medium, offers. It needs to keep posted on the doings of the city government, housing board, cooperative stores, various organizations. The community needs a newspaper which will keep a watchful eye upon these affairs so that the citizens will be informed about matters which would otherwise go unnoted. Few secrets can be kept from the citizens in a community where a newspaper functions.

In order to maintain the necessary help, we have decided to pay an editor and appropriate staff members. To cover our increased costs, we will need approximately \$3000 per year. On a per capita basis, this amounts to approximately \$2.00 per family a year. We feel this is not an unreasonable amount to pay for your Cooperator. Inevitably, however, a certain percentage of you residents will not subscribe to the paper, which means that the average subscription will have to be about \$3.00, (although not limited to that figure). All of this leads to a serious and perplexing problem.

The Cooperator has a long and enviable history of free distribution to every household in Greenbelt. It is a record of which we are justly proud. We are extremely reluctant both to solicit subscriptions and to limit the distribution to anything less than ALL the homes. But we are faced with the hard fact that it is necessary to solicit subscriptions! Does it necessarily follow, however, that we must limit distribution to subscribers only? To be frank, we would like very much to continue to distribute the paper to every home in town, but we fear that this will discourage many people from subscribing. After all, why pay when you can get it free? On the other hand, if it could be done, if those who are able would subscribe, knowing that those who do not subscribe will continue to receive the paper, and if we reach our \$3000 goal, it would be an accomplishment unique in newspaper annals.

We would like our readers' reactions to our problem. Of course, the best reaction would be in the form of a check or money order by return mail, but we would particularly welcome any expressions of opinion. Those who plan to send checks or money orders should mail them to the Circulation Dept., Greenbelt Cooperator, Greenbelt, Md. Your name and address should be enclosed so that we can keep a careful record of subscribers.

One thing is certain, however, and that is the fact that beginning in July of this year the Cooperator will be on a paid circulation basis.

To The Editor

VACANCIES

From correspondence appearing in the last two issues of the Cooperator it would appear that all members of the GVHC are not fully cognizant of the facts concerning vacancies and vacancy losses, something which is important to all stockholders of GVHC.

If members of the board, either of the majority or minority, make statements which are misleading or incorrect, either through ignorance or for publicity reasons, the question arises in the mind of stockholders whether such ignorance can exist through the board member not being present at all board meetings or through lack of all matters being open to all members. The purpose of the Board is to air all matters openly and have the views and votes of all board members on every subject. Views will differ as they should and will, if the board is functioning properly for the benefit of all stockholders.

Thanks to your valuable sheet and freedom of the press, such matters are brought to the attention of GVHC members who should read and digest its contents weekly and be guided by facts as they really are when election time comes around. It's the stockholders who elect the board. If they vote for members who are unworthy of their confidence, or lack understanding of the principle of government for all, it's the membership's own fault if matters are not conducted for their mutual advantage.

W. E. RIDDING.

MINOR POINTS

A few more items of information for the membership of GVHC from their minority member on the board.

1. PHA finally sold the apartments for about 25 percent less than their appraised value. If they were that far wrong on the apartments it is very possible that they were that far wrong on the houses also. The minority members of the board fought strongly for bargaining with PHA for a better deal on the houses, but the board insisted on a rush deal at the PHA's appraised value.

2. The criticism of the board by the Audit Committee is not for "alleged 'too rapid development' of the undeveloped land" as reported in last week's Cooperator. It criticized the board for taking action which had the practical effect of freezing out all offers from other builders and developers and restricting the deal to two builders without full assurance that these are the best deals available for the members. It was for the same reason that the minority member opposed the proposal.

3. The board also voted against the motion offer by the minority member which would have provided that some of the new cooperatively-built houses be offered for sale on a private ownership basis rather than a management cooperative. It was admitted that on a 25-year mortgage basis, individually-owned but cooperatively-built homes could be offered on better monthly payment terms than management cooperative homes. The question of four percent mortgage money is tough in either case.

A. C. LONG.

THANKS

On behalf of the St. Hugh's Parents Guild, I want to thank everyone who attended the showing of "The Miracle of Fatima" at the Greenbelt Theater last week. Particularly, I want to thank the Cooperator, Greenbelt Consumer Services, Mr. Fruchtman, Mr. Root, and all others whose cooperation aided materially in making this benefit a success.

Andy O'Connell, President
St. Hugh's Parents Guild

Camping Expert Holds Session For Scouts

Miss Catherine T. Hammett, president of the American Camping Association and well-known authority on camping techniques, conducted an outdoor workshop for area Girl Scout leaders at Camp Conestoga on Tuesday, April 14.

Included in the session were tent-pitching, preparation for troop camping, outdoor cooking, and outdoor citizenship. Sponsored by the Girl Scouts of Prince Georges County, the activities were for the benefit of leaders who wished to increase and improve their skills. Over fifty leaders from Prince Georges County and representatives from Baltimore and Anne Arundel Counties attended.

HEBREW SERVICES

Rabbi C. H. Waldman

Services will be held in the social room of the Greenbelt Center School on Friday at 8 p.m. Candlelighting time, 6:30.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Robert E. Jones, Vicar
Phone: GR. 3-3703

Thursday, April 16 - 8 p.m., Vestry meeting.

Friday, April 17 - 5 p.m., Junior choir rehearsal.

Sunday, April 19 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School. Adult discussion of Christian doctrine. Classes for all ages. 11 a.m., Divine worship. Sermon by the Vicar on John 21, 15-17 "Lovest Thou Me?" Nursery maintained during the service. 5:30, Zone Walther League Rally at Trinity Lutheran School, Hyattsville.

Tuesday, April 21 - 8 p.m., Lydia Guild.

Wednesday, April 22 - 8 p.m., Senior choir rehearsal.

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

C. R. Strausburg, Minister
Telephone GR. 3-4987

Sunday, April 19 - 9:30 a.m., Session of the Sunday School. Richard Hoffman, superintendent. Classes for all ages. 11 a.m., Worship service with sermon by the pastor. Special music by the Junior Choir. Nursery provided during the service for young children. All Sunday services held at the North End School, Ridge Road.

A cordial welcome to visitors.

PROTESTANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Eric T. Braund, Minister

Sunday, April 19 - Morning Worship, 9 and 11 a.m. Sermon by Rev. Braund. Church School as follows: (both social hall and Fellowship Center) 9 and 11 a.m., Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary. 10 a.m., Juniors through Adults: Men's Bible Class; Fidelis Bible Class.

Choir rehearsal schedules as follows: Carol Choir (boys and girls 7 & 8), Tuesday 4 p.m.; St. Cecilia Choir (boys and girls 9, 10, & 11), Thursday, 4 p.m.; Cloister Choir (girls in 7th, 8th, 9th grades) Thursdays, 7 p.m.; Chancel Choir (adults) Wednesdays, 8 p.m. New choir members are now being welcomed.

ST HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor
Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5:30 p.m. and in the evening from 7 to 9:30 p.m. for adults.

Sunday: Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery care for preschool children during the 11 o'clock Mass. This is Holy Communion Sunday for all children of the Parish.

Baptisms: Sunday afternoon 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized should notify Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Wednesday: Miraculous Medal Novena followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m.

DOLLARS AND SENSE

By Morris J. Solomon
BEST BUY IN TOILET SOAP

Jergens Lotion-Mild Soap, selling for five cents a cake at the co-op Supermarket, is your best buy in face soap, according to Consumers Union. It lathers easily, but shouldn't wash away fast because it is a hard-milled soap.

A BILL FOR CONSUMERS

Right now, any chemical may be put into food or cosmetics. Before its use can be prohibited, the Food and Drug Administration has to prove conclusively that the chemical is harmful. This can take years but in the meantime the chemical is in use. Representative Delaney has introduced two bills which would shift the legal burden of proof from the government to industry. This is the same procedure required for drugs at present.

GOOP LEADERS CONFERENCE

This Saturday, cooperative leaders of the Potomac Area will get together at Greenbelt and take stock of their achievements and their problems. Such a conference can be extremely valuable, providing there is some real soul-searching. The first requirement of solving any problem is to get a sound estimate of the present position. Too often the coop ideology, love of the cooperative philosophy, acts as a bar to a realistic estimate of the facts.

A RELIABLE YARDSTICK—SERVICE TO CONSUMER

How many Coop leaders can apply this yardstick to their coops and say, "We do more for our members than anything they can get through some alternative means." When a coop leader can say that today, he doesn't have to worry about growth. If he can make promises only for the distant future, he is in the wrong business today. The tragedy of many coops is that many Boards of directors never even bother to apply this yardstick. If they don't know how they stand today, how can they know which way to turn?

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by the

General Electric Consumers Institute

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Northwestern Plans Concert April 24

Chorus and band members of Northwestern High School are preparing their second annual formal concert, to be given at the school on Friday evening, April 24, at 8:15 p.m.

The choral numbers range from those of the old masters to American folk music and modern music.

The band repertory includes overtures, marches, rhapsodies, novelty numbers, and a special feature number by the majorettes.

Many students will have incidental solos in both the choral and band numbers, including student conductors.

Both organizations promise the public an evening well spent, musically. All are invited and urged to attend by Band Director Michael Ronca.

Trash Piling High, Apt. Tenants Report

Both apartment-dwellers and the Greenbelt center stores found themselves well supplied with trash and garbage early this week, as the battle over taxes raged on between the city council and Public Housing Administration.

The Cooperator obtained reports from several apartment tenants on their situation, which gave the following picture: The trash rooms in the basement of the buildings were generally full to capacity, collections having been suspended for "eight or nine days," and the odor of the accumulated refuse was the most frequently-mentioned annoyance. One mother in a Crescent road apartment pointed out that springtime is a difficult period from the communicable disease standpoint and referred to the danger of polio. She stated that the local PHA office had assured her that the garbage would be collected without too much delay, but she suggested that neighboring householders might offer the apartment residents the use of their outside trash closets, in case there were no more disposal space available.

Human Interest

(Upon receipt of the above suggestion, we asked our tireless snoop — that is, reporter, Mrs. Sheila Teller, to get us a human-interest story on the problem, with the following result.)

Overheard on a Greenbelt porch during the past week:

"Why, hello Mrs. CaveDweller! I see you have another bundle for me today."

"Yes. It's one of my best and biggest. We had a large dinner last night, and I also cleaned out my refrigerator."

"Oh, fine. My, doesn't it have a nice fragrance! My garbage never seems to pack so nicely either — it drips and the bottom of the bag usually falls out."

"I really do appreciate your neighborliness, Mrs. Bankhead-Black. Since they have stopped collecting my garbage, my hall has the most delicate of aromas. Have you ever smelled a mixture of coffee grounds and orange peels? It's oriental, positively exotic."

"Oh, you are lucky. Our garbage is collected regularly, and unfortunately my pleasures in that field are limited to long holiday week-ends and hot summer days."

"I hope to have a surprise tomorrow. We are having fish tomorrow, and the children despise it. I'll have loads to get rid of."

"Wonderful! I'll pack all my garbage down and leave a space near the top of the garbage can for it. You know, I'm certainly glad PHA refused to pay its taxes — we would never be able to meet so often and chat over tea and gar... cakees."

"Yes, I do enjoy it too. Well, I must get ready to return to my apartment. There! Is my clothespin on right?"

"How chic! A candy-striped plastic clothespin! How smartly it perches on your nose!"

"Goo'by! Do' dake ady wooded dickles!"

Public Health Revises Rules

The Greenbelt Public Health Department has revised its regulations for the control of communicable diseases to conform with regulations enforced by the Prince Georges County and Maryland State Department of Health, it was announced this week by Dr. Max Bloomberg, director. This means that households where there are cases of contagious diseases, except diphtheria or smallpox, will not be placarded.

The regulation requiring any householder to report any person within his family or house sick of smallpox, diphtheria, meningitis, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, typhus fever, measles, mumps, whooping cough, chickenpox, polio or any other infectious or contagious disease dangerous to public health, to the Greenbelt Public Health Department continues in full force and effect.

The new regulation permits contacts of all of the above-listed contagious diseases, except diphtheria or smallpox, to attend school or place of employment. In case of diphtheria or smallpox the Public Health Department will cooperate with the physician in explaining the quarantine regulations.

Parents are urged to avail themselves of the services of the immunization clinic held each Tuesday from 9 to 10 a.m. in Dr. Bloomberg's office, 30-D Ridge Road.

The Greenbelt Public Health Department telephone number is 2011.

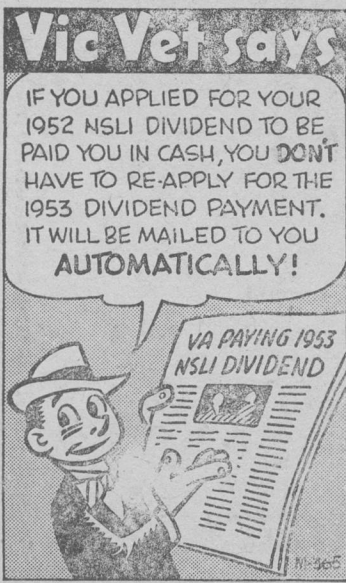
Boys Club Activities

By C. Link
Attention Baseball Players

All boys who are interested in playing Midgets baseball, report to Caldwell Baker on Saturday, April 18 at 10 a.m. at Braden field. It won't be long now before we'll hear that old cry "play ball." So keep it in mind, boys—get on down to the field Saturday so you'll be ready when the season starts.

Wednesday evening, April 8, the Intermediates basketball team of Greenbelt, coached by Paul Strickler, saw action on their home court against Riverdale, whipping them by 9 points to win the second half of the county league championship. At the half-time the Intermediates were out in front with a one-point lead. 20-19. In the third and fourth periods the Intermediates played a good defensive game and had full control of both backboards giving them the edge over Riverdale. Dick Schoeb and Mike Canning were high with 9 points apiece, followed by Tony Baker and Dick Rock with 7.

Wednesday, April 15, Intermediates and Juniors travel to Bladensburg to start the playoffs for the county championship. The last time these two clubs played each other, the Intermediates played but a few minutes of the second period (score 7-0) when the coach of Bladensburg pulled his players off the court in protest of a decision called by the referee. The Juniors also defeated Bladensburg in a well played game by both clubs. Score, Greenbelt Juniors 48 - Bladensburg 45.



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PLEBLOSSOM TIME" could be our theme song during these days of flowering fruit trees, providing Greenbelt with the lovely pink, red, and white blossoms, seen, admired, and commented on everywhere. The crabapple blossom varies from purple red to red to deep pink to pink and pinkish white. Peach, apple trees (as winesap and June apple), and the white plum trees are here too, but the most common hereabouts, and in Gardener Anderson's opinion the most beautiful, is the blossoming crab. The crabapple tree on the corner of Eastway and Crescent is of the pinkish white variety. Its blossom has an outer petal of pink, and a white inner petal. These fruit trees may bloom for two more weeks, if a frost doesn't kill them before then.

THE GOLDEN GLORY of the forsythia is past. The fruit tree blossoms have already hit their peak, but the dogwood has yet to blossom fully, and will do so in two or three weeks. This will have a big white, solid blossom with a seedy center. Fruit trees are best pruned in the fall (after the fruit, of course) but the best time to trim any spring blossoming shrub, as the forsythia, is immediately after blooming.

GOOD NEWS AS GRASS CUTTING time approaches is Mr. Anderson's report of GVHC's receipt of hand lawnmowers, slated for distribution around Greenbelt for the use of residents. There are not as many as PHA used to loan out, but they will nevertheless be allocated in the fairest way possible, so as to be available to anyone who needs one.

—DAISY

Council Protests School Bus Garages

Greenbelt's city council will protest to the county commissioners requesting that construction of school-bus garages next to the junior high school be halted until consideration be given as to the desirability of locating a garage on that site. The county Board of Education is building a service and storage garage to accommodate 124 school buses serving the area.

The original site proposed was near Northwestern High school. Residents of that area were successful in convincing authorities such a structure was not wanted there. The county proceeded quietly to start building near Greenbelt, without a permit or notifying city officials. Work was suspended until the necessary permits were obtained.

Councilman James Smith called the school bus situation a potential traffic hazard, as well as an unsightly nuisance. City Manager Charles McDonald declared that the garages will make the area, located on land zoned residential, look like an industrial site. He called the structure an eyesore which will be screened inadequately by trees.

The excavation can be seen from the Greenbelt road; construction proceeding on the Beltsville road side of the school is for the purpose of building an auditorium for the school. Councilman Ben Goldfaden stated that the proposed site for the garages was originally intended for an athletic field, and he regrets seeing the land used for any other purpose. Protests will be made to two county commissioners living in the area; Commissioner Latimer, residing on the Glenn Dale road, and Commissioner Fletcher of Berwyn Heights.

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Our Neighbors

By Dorothy McGee, phone 8083
Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Pearson, 2-M Gardenway, became grandparents on March 24 when a daughter was born to their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pearson, Jr. of 5027 Mineola Avenue, Hollywood, Maryland. Baby Carol Jean tipped the scales at 9 lb. 5 oz. in Prince Georges Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Goldberg, 14-L Hillside, had visiting them during the recent holiday week her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Eigen and their two children of Brooklyn, New York.

Helen Rubin's father, Alvin Krasnoger, who makes his home with her at 6-A Hillside underwent an operation last Friday at Prince Georges Hospital. Mr. Krasnoger is expected home early next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sigurgeir Leifur have moved from 14-Z Ridge to 2-N Gardenway, the former home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Behrens, who now live on the Metzert Road in College Park.

Gladys Chasoff, 36-K Ridge, and her two daughters have returned from a two weeks' visit with her folks in Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania.

Sunday afternoon Rabbi Waldman and four students of his Hebrew class attended a celebration commemorating the fifth anniversary of Israel's independence at the Israeli Embassy. Mrs. David Goetein, wife of the minister to Israel, was in the receiving line to greet the four young Greenbelters, Henry Trattler, Bert Weidberg, Stephen Wetter, and Jackie Herman. There were motion pictures of Israel, folk dancing and for refreshments, traditional foods imported from Israel.

Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Wolf have made their home at 29-B Ridge Road. Former occupants, Mr. and Mrs. James Hogan, moved to Congress Heights in the District.

Anita Bickford, 17-K Ridge, had a pleasant week's visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. Kass and their three children, who returned to New York on Sunday.

Having a thoroughly good time with the rest of the audience at a "preview" of "A Connecticut Yankee at King Arthur's Court" on Sunday night at Maryland University were several Greenbelters, Frances Miller, Betty Reznikoff, Sam Schwimer, Lydia Novick, and Norman and Nettie Granims. Sol Mednick was there to enjoy, as did all of us, the professional performance of his wife, Doris, as the menacing Morgan le Fay, one of the major roles. We took our little McGees, who, if they missed the sly humor of some of the lines,

Recreation News

By Donnie Wolfe
Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Monday was a big day for all the elementary school children to try and find a prize egg. All together the Recreation Department hid a total of 24 dozen eggs. Lucky boys and girls to find the eggs were:

Greenbelt Egg, Katherine Deane, Billie Marshall; Easter Egg, Ken-ny Thompson, Louis Merrith; St. Hugh's Egg, Maurice Palmerton, Gary Bronstein; Center School Egg, Tommy Falter, Marion Gallagher; North End School Egg, Charleen Batton and Alvin Hall; Most Eggs, Mary Van Camp and Bobby Van Camp.

Tennis Court

The tennis court will be ready for use this weekend with new nets and lines to mark the court. Get a key at the police office or at the Recreation office located at the Youth Center. Please remember to bring the key back, as others would like to use the court.

Soap Box Derby

The entry blanks are at the Service Station or the Recreation Office, to be secured at any time. All parents interested in helping plan this event or wishing more information on the activity should come to the City Office Tuesday, April 21 at 8 p.m. All committee members are urged to attend this meeting. Movies of last year's event at Akron will be shown in the near future, so watch this column for time and place.

Softball

All men who are interested in playing softball here in Greenbelt are urged to attend an important meeting to be held in the Center school's arts and crafts room, April 23 promptly at 8 p.m. This meeting will be short and to the point. The intramural league will be for Greenbelt men only and played three times a week under the lights at Braden field. A good league will supply fun and good recreation. Please try to make this important meeting.

loved the tunes of the Rodgers and Hart musical. Remember that nice oldie, "My Heart Stood Still."

We are sorry to learn of the death April 9 of Rev. Terry Braund's mother, Mrs. Alice Braund, of Towanda, Pa. Rev. and Mrs. Braund arrived in Towanda on their way to the Yale convocation to find his mother ill. Funeral services were held Sunday, and the Braunds returned to Greenbelt earlier this week.

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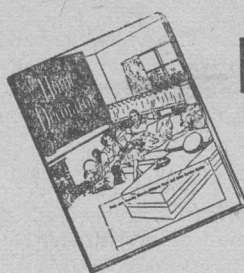
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